

Patient History – Captopril Renal Scan

Why am I having this test?

Your doctor has referred you to us for a captopril renal isotope scan. This is a simple test which is usually carried out to determine whether hypertension is caused by a narrowing in the artery supplying the kidney.

How will this be done?

One of our technologists will give you an intravenous injection of a small amount of radioactive liquid which will be rapidly excreted by your kidneys – images of this excretion are acquired immediately on the gamma camera. Subsequent to this you will be given a blood pressure medication called Captopril and the injection and images will be repeated. The radiation dose is very small and reactions are virtually unknown.

You will be required to rest on a stretcher between the two phases of the examination and during this time we will check your blood pressure several times.

Please give details about the following

Your name _____ Weight _____

Have you had blood pressure problems in the past? If so, for how long? _____

What medications do you take? Have you taken your usual medications today?

Have you ever had any kidney disease, kidney infection or kidney stones? _____

Have you had any surgery to the kidneys? _____

Are you pregnant or breast feeding? _____

office use only

Baseline blood pressure _____

Post Captopril blood pressure _____